

PILLARS OF TAWHEED

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Muslim, Kitaab ul Imaan, Muhammad (saw) said, "Whoever dies comprehending la ilaaha ilallah will enter jannah."

Bukhari, Muslim, Muadh bin Jabal said, "I was with Muhammad (saw) on a donkey and he said, "O Muadh, do you know Allah's right upon his servant and the right of the servant upon his Lord?" Mu'adh replied, "Allah and his messenger know best." And Muhammad (saw) said, "The right of Allah upon his servant is to worship Him exclusively and not to associate any partners with him, because Allah will forgive everything except the shirk." And Muhammad (saw) said, "And do you know the right of the servant upon Allah?" Muadh replied, "Allah and His messenger know best." And he (saw) replied, "Not to punish the one who does not associate with Allah anyone." And Muadh said, "Should I not give them the good news." And Muhammad (saw) replied, "No. They will become lazy."

[49: 19] "Know that none has the right to worshipped except Allah." So we need to seek knowledge about it.

The kalima is in two parts:

1. La ilaha – Al Kufr bil Taghoot

[2: 256] "First reject taghoot then believe in Allah and you will grab hold of Al Urwathil Wuthqa."

Ibn Abbas said, "Al Urwathil Wuthqa is la ilaaha ilallah."

The word la in arabic is two types:

- Nafi – Negation, e.g. "There is no such thing as orange juice."
- Nahi – No, e.g. "I do not have orange juice."

N.B. we can conclude that there is no such thing as an ilah besides Allah.

2. Ilallah – Al Imaan Billah

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The correct meaning of la ilaha ilallah:

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Ma'bood: tangible (what you can touch) things which are usually idols, stars, sun

Muta'a: things which are obeyed which are usually men, women, MP's, Kings, Presidents

Matbou: things which are followed which are usually ideas such as democracy, communism, desires, nationalism etc.

N.B. **Muta'a** and **Matbou** can be incorporated into **Ma'bood**

Definition of Tawheed:

"Al-Ifraad ul Ubudiyah lillah - Worshipping Allah exclusively."

LA ILAHA – AL KUFR BIL TAGHOOT

Umar bin al-Khattab said, "Taghoot is Shaytan."

Imam Malik (ra) said, "Taghoot is everything that is not Islam."

How to reject taghoot:

1. Shahadah – declare it is falsehood [22:62]
2. Ijtinaab – keep distance from [16:36]
3. Al-Adou'a – declare animosity
4. Al-Bughd - hate
5. Al-Takfeer – declare kaafir

